



Maple Leaves

During the fall, a tree is getting ready to rest for the winter. A tree's leaves will stop producing food for the tree, and as the food production slows, the leaves change colors and fall.



Different varieties of maple trees turn different colors in the fall. Trees produce different color pigments that determine what color the leaves will change to. Generally, red leaves stay on the tree longer than yellow or orange leaves.

Red Maple

Red maples have deep red leaves, and only have 3 points, or lobes. These maples like wet soil, and do well in the Midwest US.



Norway Maple



Norway maples have 5 pointed leaves. These turn yellow, and usually change color later in the fall than other maple trees. These are common in Utah!

Sugar Maple

Sugar maples have 5 pointed leaves, and one tree can have red, yellow, and orange leaves. These are common in the Northeastern US, and are used to produce maple syrup.

